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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1891.

SIX DOLLAR PER QUARTER

## Banks.

**THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.**  
Authorized Capital £1,000,000  
Subscribed Capital £500,000  
Head Office—Hongkong.

**Court of Directors.**  
D. Gillies, Esq., Chairman  
Chen Kit Shan, Esq.  
C. J. Hirst, Esq.  
A. B. McKean, Esq., Acting Chief Manager.

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE IN LONDON.**  
THOMAS CARMICHAEL, Esq.—Messrs. Dent  
Palmer & Co.  
JOHN BUTTERY, Esq.—Messrs. John Buttery & Co.  
C. B. STUART-WORTLEY, Esq., M.P., for Hallam.  
G. W. F. PLAYFAIR, Manager.

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE, SHANGHAI.**  
Hsu Fu Yuen, Esq., Chairman  
Ma Kie Tshong, Esq.  
Tang Kwei Sung, Esq.  
J. D. THORBURN, Manager pro. tem.

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.  
ISSUE OF \$500,000 FIVE AND A HALF DOLLARS PER CENT. MORTGAGE DEBENTURES OF \$250 EACH.

TENDERS are invited for the purchase of \$500,000 in 5 per cent. Mortgage Debentures of \$250 each. The debentures are issued in order to repay the money temporarily borrowed by the Company.

The loan will be secured by a floating first charge on the undertaking of the Company and all its property present and future, including any eventual increase of capital for the time being.

The debentures are issued at par, but any application containing an offer of a premium will receive consideration at the hands of the Directors, but this shall not affect the right of the Directors to accept any tender they may see fit.

No tenders will be accepted below par. The debentures will be issued bearing a face value of \$250 each made payable to bearer and carrying interest from the 1st day of October, 1891 at the rate of 5 per centum per annum, payable half-yearly on the 1st day of April and the 1st day of October at the Office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hongkong, or its branches, at the current rate of Exchange upon presentation of the Coupons attached to the debentures. The terms of subscription for each debenture are as follows:—\$5 per cent. on application and the balance on 1st day of October, 1891.

Where no allotment is made the actual amount paid will be returned in full without any deduction but without any interest, and where the number of debentures allotted is less than the number applied for the surplus will be credited in reduction of the amount payable on allotment and any excess returned. Failure to pay any instalment when due will render the allotment liable to cancellation and previous payments to forfeit.

The debentures shall be redeemable at par in the amounts and at the time following, viz:—\$100,000 thereof on 1st day of October, 1894. \$100,000 thereof on 1st day of October, 1897. As to the remaining \$300,000 the Company may redeem the same at any one of the times and in any one of the modes following, name "y"—they may pay off \$150,000 on the 1st October, 1899 and \$150,000 on the 1st October, 1901, or they may pay off the whole sum of \$300,000 on the 1st October, 1899, or they may pay off the whole sum of \$300,000 on the 1st October, 1901 at their option.

The numbers of such debentures as will be paid off will be drawn for at the periods aforesaid and public notice will be given of the day and time, fixed for each drawing at least Seven days before such drawing.

Tenders in the annexed form should be filled up and sent to the Company's Secretary on or before the 15th day of September, 1891 accompanied by a deposit of \$5 per cent. upon each debenture applied for.

The form and conditions of the debentures can be seen at the Company's Office and at the Office of Messrs. Wotton and Deacon, the Company's Solicitors.

By order of the Board of Directors,  
EDWARD OSBORNE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th August, 1891.

**THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
Issue of \$500,000 Five and a half Dollars per centum Mortgage Debentures.

To the Directors of  
The Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited.

Gentlemen—I beg to tender for—  
Mortgage debentures of \$250 of the above issue at—per cent. premium in the terms of the Prospectus issued by you dated the 1st day of August, 1891, on which I have paid the required deposit of \$12½ per debenture, and I undertake to accept the same or any less number you may allot to me and to make the remaining payments in respect thereof on allotment.

Your Obedient Servant,  
Name  
Address  
Occupation  
Date

The Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited.

RECEIVED the.....day of.....  
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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

**HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.**  
NOTICE

DURING this and next month members are recommended to practice at the 200, 300 and 600 yards ranges—Bisley rules; and 7 rounds and one sighting shot at each distance. It is desired that all scores made be sent in to the Secretary. A prize will be given to the competitor of the highest aggregate of not less than 5 practices.

J. ANDERSON, Acting Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th August, 1891.

## Intimations.

**NOTICE.**  
THE SHAMEN HOTEL AND LAND COMPANY, LIMITED.

IT is hereby notified that Mr. CHARLES MOONEY, who for some time past has been temporarily acting as Secretary, is no longer in the employ of the above-named Company.

Until further notice, all communications referring to the Company's business should be addressed to the Undersigned.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
R. FRASER-SMITH, Chairman.

5, Pedder's Hill,  
Hongkong, and September, 1891.

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**ROBERT LANG & CO.**  
NEW HATS.

BLACK, GREY AND BROWN FELTS  
SINGLE TERAI HATS  
(ALL SHADES).

STRAW AND PITH HATS.

Hongkong, 5th June, 1891.

**MOUTRIE, ROBINSON & CO.**  
(From 7, Broadwood & Sons and Collard & Collard).  
THE PIANO, ORGAN AND MUSIC WAREHOUSE,  
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL,  
and at London, Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama.

**PIANOS.** SPECIALLY MADE FOR THIS CLIMATE AND GUARANTEED.  
MONTHLY PAYMENTS OR HIRE.

TUNING-REPAIRS.  
Instruments made equal to new. Large experience, all Machinery, trained men and Work guaranteed.

OLD PIANOS TAKEN IN EXCHANGE.  
16 YEARS extensive experience in China, and the only firm of trained and practical people doing themselves entirely to the Music and Musical Instrument Trade.

**CRUICKSHANK & CO., LD.**  
FAMILY AND DISPENSING CHEMISTS,  
AND  
Commission Agents.

JUST LANDED A FRESH LOT OF TOBACCOES.  
"OLD RIP,"  
"RICHMOND GEM,"  
"OUR BOYS,"  
"VERGINIA FLAKE,"  
"CARTE BLANCHE,"  
"POSTILLION CAVENTISH,"  
"WILL'S BIRD'S EYE,"  
"THREE CASTLES,"  
and  
"GOLDEN CLOUD."

CIGARS.  
Compagnie de General's most popular brands, in good condition always in stock.

**SHOOTING SEASON, 1891.**  
FOR SALE.  
ELEY'S GREEN, BLUE AND BROWN CARTRIDGE CASES.  
ELEY'S NEW DAMP-PROOF PIGEON AND WILKS ALLIANCE POWDER.  
FELT CLOTH AND GREASE-PROOF WADES.  
NEWCASTLE CHILLED AND ORDINARY SHOT.  
GUN IMPLEMENTS AND SPORTING SUNDRIES.  
SPORTING CARTRIDGES, loaded and unloader.  
DOUBLE BARRELL ED FOWLING PIECES.  
MARTINI-HENRI RIFLES, WINCHESTER REPEATING CARBINES.  
SMITH & WESSON'S REVOLVERS.  
SHOOTING SUITS, STOCKINGS, HATS, BOOTS, &c.

**SHANGHAI.**  
7, Fochow Road.

**LONDON.**  
101, Leadenhall Street.

**AGENCIES**  
AT ALL THE  
PRINCIPAL TREATY  
PORTS OF CHINA.

**CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & CO.**  
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

Hongkong—15, Queen's Road.

**KELLY & WALSH, LD.**  
ENGINEERING, ELECTRICAL AND NAUTICAL BOOKS.

**REED'S ENGINEER'S GUIDE.**  
Hutton's Practical Engineer's Guide.  
Winton's Modern Steam Practice and Engineering.  
Pocock's Model Engine Making.  
Horn's Iron and Steel Manufacture.  
Wylie's Iron and Steel Founding.  
Silago and Brooker's Electrical Engineering.  
Gray's Absolute Measurement of Electricity and Magnetism.  
Hospitalier's Electrician's Pocket Book.  
Bottone's Electrical Instrument Making for Amateurs.  
Moncell on Electro-Magnets.  
Dale's Handbook for Steam Users.  
Sprenton's Practical Treatise on Casting and Founding.  
Thompson's Dynamo Electric Machinery.  
Scaton's Manual of Marine Engineering.  
Kemp's Handbook of Electrical Testing.  
Hawkins's Shipbuilder's Pocket Book.  
Jamieson's Test Book of the Steam Engine.  
Frail on Steam Boilers.  
Thurston's Iron and Steel Shipbuilding.  
Instructions for Measuring Surveyors.

Dr. Dobson's Law of Storms in the Eastern Seas.  
Major General Palmer on Typhoons.  
Norrie's Epitome of Navigation.  
Luman's Nautical Tables.  
Pamphlet's Illustrated Marine Encyclopedia.  
Lecy's Whiskies in Navigation.  
Raper's Navigation.  
Bedford's Sailor's Pocket Book.  
Clarke's (J. Ambrose) The New Navigation.  
Burwood's do.  
Lee's Laws of Shipping and Insurance.  
Goodfellow's Cargo Measurement.  
Bergen's Navigation.  
International Code of Signals.  
Book of Flags, House Flags and Funnels.  
Morris's Elementary Navigation.  
Lecy's The Danger Angle.  
Engineers Extra First Class Examination.  
Bergen's Seamanship.  
Donaldson's Drawing and Rough Sketching for Marine Engineers.  
Pamphlet's From Keel to Tack.  
Brassey's Naval Annual.

**W. POWELL & CO.**  
LAST WEEK OF  
GREAT SALE.

SPECIAL BARGAINS IN ALL DEPARTMENTS.

**W. POWELL & CO.**  
Hongkong, 7th September, 1891.

**CARMICHAEL & CO., LD.**  
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS—TOBACCO AND CIGAR IMPORTERS,  
GENERAL STOREKEEPERS AND COMMISSION AGENTS.

SCIENTIFIC BOOKS—NAUTICAL, ENGINEERING AND ELECTRICAL.  
OUTFITTING—A select, but comprehensive Stock of  
SMOKERS' REQUISITES in great variety.  
AUSTRALIAN, NEW ZEALAND AND CANADIAN DAIRY PRODUCE.

**CARMICHAEL & CO., LTD.**  
11, Praya Central, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 26th August, 1891.

## Intimations.

**TREASURY NOTICE.**  
A SUPPLY of subsidiary SILVER COIN having now been received, issue can be made.

Orders not cashed within a week from date of issue are cancelled.

Hongkong, 4th September, 1891.

**THE CHINA PORTER COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., No. 6, Leadenhall Street, on THURSDAY, the 10th day of September, 1891, at 4 p.m., when the following Resolutions will be put to the Meeting:—

1.—That the Company be wound up voluntarily and that John Wheeler of Hongkong be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purpose of such winding up.

2.—That the draft Amendment submitted to this Meeting and approved by the majority of the Shareholders and the Liquidator of the one part and The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, Ltd. of the other part be and is hereby approved and that the Liquidator be and he is hereby authorized to enter into an Agreement with such new Company (when incorporated) in the terms of the said draft and to carry the same into effect.

On the above Resolutions being passed the proceedings as to the winding up of the Company, and the powers conferred on the Liquidator will be proceeded with and executed under the provisions of Section CXIX of Ordinance No. 1 of 1865 of the Ordinances of Hongkong.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 27th August, 1891.

**H. G. BROWN & CO., LIMITED.**  
IN accordance with the provisions of the Articles of Association, the Consulting Committee and General Managers have this day declared an INTERIM DIVIDEND of 4 per cent. for the half year ended 30th June, 1891, on the paid-up Capital of the Company.

DIVIDEND WARRANTS, payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corporation, may be had on application at the Office of the General Managers, on and after WEDNESDAY, the 9th September.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 9th September, both days inclusive.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., General Managers.

**CHINA TRADING INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.  
THE TWENTY-FIFTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Head Office, Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 17th September, at 4 o'clock p.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to 30th April last, and of declaring Dividend.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 4th to the 17th September, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
W. H. RAY, Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th August, 1891.

**A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.**  
TO AFFRATED WATER MANUFACTURERS AND OTHERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that all AFFRATED WATER BOTTLES and SYPHONS bearing the Company's Name and Trade Mark are its property solely, and that any Manufacturer using the same or any Person or Persons other than the Customers of the Firm found in possession of the same will be proceeded against as the law directs.

A. H. MANCELL, Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th August, 1891.

**THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.  
CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS are requested to send in a statement of Balance contributed during the Half-year ended 30th June, 1891, on or before the 10th instant, on which date the accounts will be closed.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
D. GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1891.

**To be Let.**  
NOTICE.  
TO LET.  
THE PREMISES No. 9, Praya Central, lately occupied by Messrs. RUSSELL & Co. The whole by flat, or single rooms suitable for Office and Dwelling.

Apply to  
E. D. SASSOON & Co.  
Hongkong, 26th June, 1891.

**To Let.**  
WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.  
No. 37, WYNDHAM STREET. Rent \$40 per month.  
Apply to  
A. R. EZZIEL.  
Hongkong, 24th August, 1891.

## Shipping.

**STEAMERS.**  
DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCOW.  
THE Company's Steamship

"NAMO,"  
Captain Goldard, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 8th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LAIDLAK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 5th September, 1891.

**NAVIGATIONS GENERAL ITALIANA (FLORIO AND RITATTO) UNITED COMPANIES.**

STEAM FOR  
SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND BOMBAY, having connection with Company's Mail Steamers, to AMOY, SWATOW, PORT SAID, MENA, NAPLES, GENOA, and LONDON, and GENOA, all Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, and SUNDAY AMERICAN PORTS, in a CATER. Taking Cargo at through rates in PORTLAND, GIBB and BAGDAD.

THE Company's Steamship

"ROMANA,"  
Captain Goldard, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 8th instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
SIMPSON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 5th September, 1891.

**FOR SHANGHAI.**  
THE Steamship

"AMOI,"  
Captain Th. Lehmann, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 8th instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
SIMPSON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 5th September, 1891.

**"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.**

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.  
THE Steamship

"CLIFTON,"  
will be despatched as above on or about the 12th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 5th September, 1891.

**"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.**

FOR HAVRE, LONDON, HAMBURG, AND ANTWERP.  
THE Steamship

"DENBIGHSHIRE,"  
Captain Gedge, will be despatched as above on or about the 17th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 4th September, 1891.

**To be Let.**  
TO LET,  
WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.

THE FIRST FLOOR of No. 15, PRAYA CENTRAL, splendidly suited for SHIPPING OFFICES, having a commanding view over the entire Harbour. Rent \$50 per month.

Apply to the Manager,  
CARMICHAEL & CO., LIMITED,  
11, Praya Central.

Hongkong, 30th July 1891.

**TO LET.**  
SHOP in Pedder's Street, presently occupied by Mr. HAIN. Also  
4 ROOMS on First Floor, suitable for offices. Apply to  
CRUICKSHANK & Co., Ltd.  
Hongkong, 4th August, 1891.

**THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
TO LET.  
AT KOWLOON.  
A FEW HOUSES in KNUITSFORD TERRACE containing 5 Rooms each and Bath-rooms. Tennis Courts. Healthy situation. Cheap Rent.  
Apply to  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., Ltd.  
Hongkong, 6th August, 1891.



**Intimations.**

**DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA,  
LIMITED.  
DISPENSING CHEMISTS, &c  
LONDON, HONGKONG AND AMOY.**

**NATURAL APERIENT WATERS.**

**ON THE CHOICE OF A WATER.**

**E**XTRACT from the 'London Medical Re-  
viewer,' May 20th, 1890, by GEO.  
HERSCHLIL, M.D. (London).

'In order to obtain the highest success in the treatment of a case by a Natural Water, it is far better to study thoroughly one kind, and master its peculiarities, than to experiment with different sorts, each having a different dose and special attributes of its own.

The advantages of one mineral water over another may be put under the following heads:—

- 1.—Smallness of dose.
- 2.—Absence of unpleasant effect.
- 3.—Sulphates of Soda and Magnesia in nearly equal proportions.
- 4.—Absence of unpleasant taste.

'On examining the chief waters on the English market with a view of making a selection, one is struck with the fact that a newly-imported water, the "Franz Josef," contains 190 and 178 grains to the pound of Sulphates of Magnesia and Soda respectively. This is much in excess of the quantities contained by either Hunyadi János, Friedrichshall, or Atascapalo. It is evidently the strongest water by far, with all at the same time it fortunately happens to be almost *tasteless!*

Price, cents 50 per bottle; per dozen \$5.50.

We are sole agents in China for the sale of  
**FRANZ JOSEF WATER.**  
Nos. 22 & 24, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

**A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.**

**VEGETABLE  
AND  
FLOWER  
SEEDS,**

SEASON 1891-92.

**THE FIRST SHIPMENT OF OUR SUPPLY  
OF  
GARDEN SEEDS**

for the Season has arrived and we are now prepared to book orders for prompt or forward execution. Complete Catalogues with concise directions for sowing can be obtained on application, or will be posted to any address. In these Catalogues the Seeds are Marginally Numbered in English and Chinese, and when ordering it is quite sufficient to only state the numbers of the kinds required.

Orders from one person, of from \$5 to \$10,  
allowed 25 % discount.

Orders from one person, over \$10 allowed an  
extra 5 % discount.

**CLAY'S FERTILIZER.**

A high class fertilizer for pot plants and for use in the garden generally : it supplies natural nourishment to the soil, and assists the process of assimilation, thereby aiding the plants to attain to their full size, vigour and beauty.

Sold in Tins containing 10lb each.....\$1.50.  
      "      Bags             25lb     .....4.00.

Directions for use are given on the label.

RANSOME'S "NEW PARIS"  
LAWN MOWERS.

The best and cheapest machines in the market;  
for sale at manufacturers' prices.

**A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.**  
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,  
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.  
Hongkong, 24th August, 1891.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Shanghai* left Singapore for this port at 1 p.m. yesterday.

We are informed by the agents of the Austro-Hungarian Lloyd's S. N. Co. that the Company's steamer *Thilia*, from Bombay, left Singapore for this port yesterday.

A JAPANESE paper is responsible for the statement that the Nippon Yusen Kaisha's steamship *Mitsa Maru* has been placed regularly on the Company's line between Japan and Australia.

THE Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong C. C. notifies us that a steam launch will leave Pedder's Wharf at 2.30 p.m. to-morrow, to convey the Hongkong cricketing team to the *Taiyang*. Friends are invited for liquid solace.

WE learn that Dr. Wm. R. Lee, late physician-in-charge of the Bangkong Hospital, left Bangkok for America on the 29th ult. Dr. Lee's health is reported to have been the cause of the severance of his connection with the Royal Siamese Medical Department.

THE Band of the A. & S. Highlanders will play the following programme at the Officers' Mess to-morrow, commencing at 8 p.m.:

Overture, "Peter Schmol" ..... Weber.  
Valse "Fret such des Lebens" ..... Strauss.  
Polka "Gloria" ..... Strauß.  
Chor. Solo "Faust" ..... Donizetti.  
Selection "Ivachko" ..... Sullivan.

MR. SOLOMON, at one time proprietor of the *Northern Territory Times* and now junior member for Port Darwin in the South Australian Assembly, has been appointed Government Whip. Mr. Solomon is an active and energetic politician, and will make a name for himself in Australian politics.

THE Scottish Oriental steamer *Choofoo*, with 100 Chinese and 200 Chinese passengers on board, stuck for two days and three nights on the bar outside Bangkok on her last trip there, but got off again without having sustained any damage. Whilst lying there, the steamer *Tongshan*, *Bang Seng Gaan*, and *Medun*, presumably lighter, draught, passed safely over the bar.

THE net profits of the Tokyo Marine Insurance Company during the first half of the present year, according to the *Yapen Mail*, were yen 172,420 of which yen 94,550 were set apart as reserve; yen 13,133 as remuneration to officers and yen 45,000 as dividend for the half-year. The dividend is declared at the rate of 15 per cent per annum yen 19,000 being carried forward to next account. These results are eminently satisfactory.

EDWARD EVANS, a seaman belonging to the *Empress of India*, was charged at the Magistrate's to-day for having assaulted James Singh last evening. Evans emphatically denied the charge with great success and administered the "knock-out" blow first. Another Sikh, however, came to the rescue and Evans was wrapped up in the folds of a Punjab turban, or turban, in a trice, and lodged in the cells. He will continue to remain there for three weeks more, no option being allowed.

PATRONS of the drama, legitimate or otherwise, will be glad to learn that our "pal" Stanley will march his Amazonian forces along this way again in a few months' time. He is now playing in Mandalay; thence on to Bombay, from which place he will wind his way to China once more. The thinned ranks have been recruited, and now the company boasts the biggest contingent of young men and beauties that has ever travelled Eastward. This is not a case of "On Stanley, or but 'Come Stanley, come' " for there are floods to be won.

A TELEGRAM from an Australian paper, reproduced in another column, announces the death of Mr. Cleveland, ex-British Consul in the United States of America, at the age of 54 years. Grover Cleveland was born in March, 1837, and statement of age would appear to be evidence of the accuracy of the news; but we doubt whether Mr. Cleveland, so far as the United States is concerned, is, could scarcely have failed to send such an important event to the Far East. The telegram probably refers to the Duke of Cleveland, a nonentity of whom nobody knows anything worth knowing.

THE *Bangkok Times* reports that there is an undoubted revival of trade in that city. Indeed in commercial affairs in general, this contention it cites the fact that the *Chewee*, which arrived here last evening, was loaded with 500 tons of cargo and 500 tons of cargo, had to return with 500 tons of cargo, owing to the number of passengers and the quantities of cargo that had already been booked both for Swatow and Singapore. And furthermore, some paper understands that the merchants of Bangkok have had to telegraph to Hongkong for additional steamers to take away the cargo produce now lying there awaiting shipment.

WE learn that Fillis' circus is likely to visit Hongkong a visit in the immediate future. It is a month or so. The "show" is now doing a splendid business in Singapore, but as it would have to contend against the *Willard* Operatic Company, perhaps it would be better to come over against the *Willard* crowd, who are now contending against the circus at the present time.

The Shanghai race-course was opened for training purposes on the 1st. inst.

The French men-of-war *Triomphant* and *Villars* left Chefoo for Vladivostok on the 25th ulto.

It is officially announced in Saturday's *Government Gazette* that Swatow is no longer an infected port.

CHU, Tartar-General of Canton, went up the river by the China Merchants' steamer *Kwanglai* on Friday last.

H.M.S. *Archier* left Shanghai on the 20th ulto., to relieve the *Swift* at Hankow. The latter vessel goes to Chefoo.

MR. R. SIMPSON SHAW, manager at Shanghai of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, goes home on leave, and is succeeded by Mr. E. B. Skottowe.

FOND Mother (to her son): "That young lady with whom you were talking seems to be quite a belle." Reginald (who has found Miss Vesnau dull): "Yes, mother, quite a dumb-bell."

The *Footy Echo* says that spurious cash, notwithstanding strenuous efforts on the part of the authorities to suppress the evil, are again in general circulation throughout the city.

The China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., according to a return published in Saturday's *Gazette*, manufactured 11,320 proof gallons of spirits during the quarter ended the 24th August.

We are informed by the Agent of the Messageries Maritimes that the Company's steamer *Saghalien*, with the next French mail, left Saigon yesterday at 2 a.m., for this port.

THE MILON SEASON.  
Bananas sweet and melons sleek  
Are grabbed up on every hand;  
No *SwatP* can issue here next week:  
It will have gained the Promised Land.

OWING to the departure from the colony of Mr. Samuel Brown, on five weeks' vacation leave, Mr. F. A. Cooper has been appointed Acting Surveyor-General, in addition to his duties as Resident Engineer of the Water and Drainage Department.

In the course of a few days, says the *Bangkok Times*, the 50th ulto. share of the Bangkok Paknam Railway Company, Ltd., will be issued to those who have subscribed the capital required for the inauguration of a very promising local enterprise—Siam's first railway.

A conundrum from "Brownie's" latest incubations: "That the averaging Nemeris has fallen upon the reckless 'ricksha rider, (sic) and another (sic) him somewhat heavily." What can the idiot who wrote this rubbish mean to convey? The stuff, however, is quite up to the *Chinese Mail's* usual standard.

SAYS the *Shanghai Mercury*:—"Though happily the cholera has not had so many victims among foreigners this year as last, still the disease is quite prevalent enough among the Chinese to cause the Municipal Council to look after the sanitation of the Settlement, and especially of the outlying roads around Hongkew, much better than they are doing."

A NEW Cure: Mrs. Cribber—What has become of all your Cleopatra jewelry—the asps, snakes, serpents, and 'thigs? Mrs. Blidder—Hush! Don't let my husband hear you. I have hidden them away. "Haven't you worn them at all?" "I wore them once, and the moment my husband saw them he rushed off to a doctor. The next morning he told me that I shant wear them again unless he backslides."

A LOCAL "Sport" is in receipt of telegraphic intelligence from London to the effect that the *St. Legen*, to be run off on Wednesday next, and Reverend and The Deemster are strongly fanned for second and third places. However, outsiders are frequently dangerous for the *St. Legen*, and all being well with Orrylo, the green and gold jacket of Mr. J. H. Houldsworth will not be far away at the finish.

The annual general meeting of members of the Hongkong Cricket Club was held in the Pavilion this afternoon. General business was discussed and everything points to the Club being in a healthy and prosperous condition. The new Pavilion will be completed on or about the 1st prox. Mr. A. J. Leach was elected President in the place of Captain W. M. Deane, who retires owing to ill-health. The following members were elected to form the Committee for the coming year—Capt. Dunn, Messrs. Wallace, T. E. Davies, E. J. Coxon, Colonel Chater, A. K. Travers (Hon. Sec.), E. A. Ra (Asist. Hon. Sec.) and R. Trellian, Hon. Treasurer. The first match of the coming season will be played on the 9th and 10th October next.

The Gambling Ordinance still brings grit to the mill and has now succeeded in filling the exchequer to such an extent that is desperately to get rid of the surplus the Government has sanctioned the scraping and pointing of the Magistracy. There has also been a wild rumour abroad that the authorities are going to re-convert

It was a proof-reader who had served an apprenticeship in the drug-trade that Heber's famous old hand set the print in this form:

From Greenland's icy mountains,  
From India's chivalry land,  
Where Africa's soda fountains  
Roll down their golden sand.

NOTWITHSTANDING the mysterious "Brownian" murmurs in Saturday's *Spall* to the effect that gambling is still permitted at Chinese Kowloon, the contrary is the fact, for the special order of the Viceroy of Canton all the gambling hells there have been closed with the exception of two, which are exclusively reserved for Celestial gamblers. We know this to our cost, for yesterday we ventured over there to risk our customary Mexican, but were quickly spotted as belonging to the class that "dam Telegraph," whose mighty and far-reaching influence was the cause of the gambling dens there being closed; and had we not been provided with our pet "Wagon," its likely thing would have gone back with us, for the fact of our being there would have to suffer martyrdom before the desired end can be reached. Nevertheless we keep an eye on the dens and on the Mandarins over there too, so there is not much likelihood of them resuming operations for the present.

SHARE business in Hongkong is now as dead as be — d — d, the only article of commerce in the ascendant being horse-bait. A sudden demand for this commodity has sprung up owing to the fact that Campbells, Moore, & Co., Ltd., have received orders for several sets of hireite appearances, *a la* our local Viceroy, for the coming performance of "Beauty and the Beast" by the Hongkong A. D. C. We are not sure whether the moustaches are required for Beauty or the Beast, but we are sure that the latter will, it is rumoured that the "Napoleon of the Rialto," on hearing of the boom, immediately commenced to unload and is supposed to have "sold short" some thousands of tons; but for once (and the only time on record) James Polite saw him "one better," and held fast to his stock, so the members of the charmed circle are each shaking hands with the other to-day, thinking that their "corner" is secure. "Napoleon" was never yet left in a hole without a motive, and if he is on a log" on this eventful occasion we feel sure it is because he has a lien on Brownie's tail, and he is quite safe if that conjecture is correct.

We have once again to draw the attention of the authorities to the dangerous and disgraceful state of the public streets and roads of this colony. We understand that it is stipulated in all road contracts accepted by the Government, that open drains and trenches shall be amply guarded by bamboo hurdles and that their existence shall be broken up by a light which ought to be kept burning all night. And whose duty is it to see that these conditions are strictly adhered to? That of the police surely, when through either negligence or cupidity on the part of the contractors the latter fail to afford those safeguards against accident! The condition of many of the streets at the present time is a disgrace to all concerned, and those responsible should be at once called to book. Take Wellington Street, Lyndhurst Terrace, and Ice House Lane for instance. Each of them contains unguarded pits, to fall into which means a broken neck or limb at least. It is well known that between the hours of 7 and 9 p.m. the traffic through Wellington Street and Lyndhurst Terrace is something enormous, and it is through those streets that a brigade of blind beggars pass, playing their fiddles and flutes each evening to gain a precarious livelihood. How these unfortunates escape the man-traps is a mystery, for we have seen them hustled and jostled by thoughtless chair-coolies right to the brink of unmerciful death. On Saturday night one of the coolies belonging to a public chair (No. 245) in endeavouring to pass through a crowd, fell right into the hole that exists at the junction of Wellington and Pottinger Streets, and which is about five feet deep, and had his leg badly bruised. Had any European been in the chair at the time, we presume that it would speedily have been ascertained upon whose shoulders the responsibility for these trap-really lies. The contractor apparently is under the impression that if he places a few broken bamboos at each end of a ditch, which may be a hundred yards long, he is quite justified in leaving the intervening section to the watchful eye of Providence. Providence wouldn't serve him much, however, in the Police and Criminal courts of the Colony if through his culpable negligence any fatal accident should occur. If contractors don't know their duty it should be taught them, and the same holds good as regards the police.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column].

THE MISSIONARY CONTRIVERSY.  
THE ERROR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."  
THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" OF 18th JULY.

**NEWS BY THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.**

The C. N. Co.'s steamer *Tinsan*, Capt. W. N. Hillson from Sydney, via ports of call arrived in Melbourne this afternoon. The subjoined telegrams taken from our Australian exchanges:—

LONDON, August 6th.

It is stated that an uneasy feeling is spreading throughout Germany, Austria, and Turkey, in consequence of the influx of Jewish passers from Russia into those countries.

Slender rumors are in circulation in the City reference to the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. The French Government has declined the invitation to appoint representatives to attend the Literary Congress in Berlin. The grounds of the refusal are that the German Government has refused to grant the delegates from France exemption from the passport regulations, or to reduce the railway fares in their behalf.

A train for the Sunday-school children, out on an excursion yesterday to Lake Champlain, between the States of New York and Vermont, came into violent collision with another train. One of the children were killed and 20 injured. A collision took place between two trains, one conveying passengers and the other luggage, at Port Byron, a village in the State of New York, which resulted in the death of 10 persons, many others being more or less seriously injured. After the collision the wrecked carriages took fire.

Mr. Dwyer Gray, the managing director of the Dublin *Freeman's Journal*, who has withdrawn his personal support from Mr. Parnell, has invited the shareholders to alter the politics of the paper in favor of the McCarthy faction of the Nationalist party in opposition to Mr. Parnell.

The Queen of the Belgians has recovered from her serious illness.

*Fairplay*, a weekly paper recognised as an authority on shipping and commerce, is responsible for the announcement that the effort to secure a company to take over the shipping business of Messrs. D. Milver and Co., of Liverpool, has failed, less than £50,000 having been subscribed.

The Belfast *Morning News*, the organ of the Nationalist party in the north of Ireland, which has hitherto supported the cause of Mr. Parnell, has now renounced him.

The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Dublin (Dr. Walsh) declares that Mr. Parnell, by his marriage with Mrs. O'Shea, has deepened his original sin.

It is reported that Mr. William O'Brien, M.P., has expected to a friend that he entertained the greatest distrust and aversion towards the private in political matters, though he was compelled to co-operate with them.

The Belfast *Morning News*, a Home Rule newspaper, which is the organ of the Nationalist party in the North of Ireland, has renounced Mr. Parnell's leadership.

The monsoons which have been prevailing in India have been inadequate to stay the water famine, and many deaths from starvation have occurred since the middle of May.

The Labour Commission has received the evidence of the representatives of various trades, and adjourned until the 27th of October.

A Dazlieff's telegram announces that Turkey has formally recognised Prince Ferdinand as sovereign of Bulgaria. If true, this is a counter-move to the honours the Czar is giving the King of Servia at St. Petersburg.

August 7th.

The jury have awarded Mr. W. O'Brien £70 as damages for his arrest at Cardiff.

The *Sturminster*, in criticising the composition of Lord Sheffield's team, states that it is probably the strongest cricketing team that has yet left England.

A tragic incident is reported respecting Mille. Vaccaruso, the Queen of Roumania's maid of honor, whose marriage with the Crown Prince of Roumania has been broken off. It is stated that the Queen of Roumania snatched a dagger out of Mille. Vaccaruso's hand just as she was about to commit suicide.

The Emperor of Russia has exacted more stringent laws against the press in Finland.

The Czar visited at Viborg, Finland, yesterday, but the populace refrained from making any demonstrations either of welcome or loyalty on his landing.

Some excitement has been caused by the announcement that 17 lunatics in a New York asylum attacked their keepers and effected their escape. They are still at large.

The Duke of Cleveland, who was born in 1803, is reported to be in a critical condition.

It is a special envoy from President Balmaceda, of Chili, has arrived in England.

It is rumored that China and Japan are at present negotiating with a view to arranging an offensive and defensive alliance.

An epidemic of cholera has broken out in Syria. The outbreak is spreading rapidly, and numerous deaths are reported.

A week of prayer has been ordered by the

France, taught by her misfortunes, was feeling her forces, and was now strong in the position of the friendship of the Czar.

The Governments of Germany, Austria, Italy, Switzerland are at present carrying on negotiations at Vienna for the establishment of a Central European Customs Union.

De la Zouché appeared at the police court, to-day, to answer a summons for being drunk while riding in Hyde Park. Several credible testifies testified that the smell of drink was taken to St. George's Hospital, close by Hyde Park Corner, where it was found necessary to nurse her. The summons, however, was mislaid.

According to "Debreit," there is no Lady de la Zouché. The present Baron who was married in 1875 to the Hon. Annie Mary Anne Fitzroy, second daughter of Baron Fitzroy, died, and after the following year, it is probably the lady referred to in the tale.

August 8th.

General Hippolyte, President of Hayti, has asked Mr. Blaine, the United States Secretary, to underhand attempts to obtain a coaling station Hayti. President Hippolyte states Hayti will never consent to such a thing.

August 9th.

In order to strengthen the Chilean fleet, President Balmaceda has made an offer to the United States Government to purchase from them the iron-ore ship *Baltimore*, offering the high price of 500,000 for it. The American Government, however, has refused to entertain the offer.

A man named Higgins ascended in a balloon and undertook to descend by means of a parachute; but in his descent the machine fouled the telegraph wires, and Higgins fell to the ground to a height of 35 ft., and was killed.

August 10th.

The Chilean insurgents have appealed to the people of America to recognise them as belligerents. President Harrison, however, refused to do so.

Messrs. O'Brien and Dillon, speaking at a bazaar last night, charged Mr. Parnell with attempting to destroy the Gladstonian party, they appealed to the adherents of Mr. Parnell to coalesce with the Irish Nationalists under the leadership of Mr. Justin M'Carthy, and to accept the promises made by the Liberal party.

M. Ribot, French Minister for Foreign Affairs, and M. de Glen, the Russian Foreign Minister, at a meeting at which the Swiss and the negotiations are now proceeding between them.

It is rumored that owing to the Franco-Russian *entente cordiale*, Britain will largely increase her Mediterranean fleet.

In connection with the recent serious illness of the Queen of the Belgians, it is stated that the Empress Charlotte, of Mexico, who for years has been under restraint, on account of insanity, during a fit of frenzy made an attack on the Queen, and the fight occasioned thereby caused the death of which nearly resulted in the death of her Majesty.

News has been received from Africa that the natives inhabiting the whole of the region on the Congo River above the Stanley Falls have revolted against Tippoo Tib, the notorious slave dealer and general ruler in that portion of Africa, in the outbreak which took place forty-five Arabs were massacred by the natives, and many annual pilgrims took place. In consequence of the disturbed condition of affairs resulting from the native revolt, it is feared the authorities of the Congo Free State will be compelled to appeal to the Congo Free State for help.

The young woman who was found shot in a railway carriage on its arrival at Bedford, and who complained of having been assaulted by a man who made his escape through the carriage window, is reported to be in a critical condition, her name is Leonora Mitchell, and her case is believed to be one of attempted suicide.

The International Congress on Hygiene and Demography was opened to-day. The Prince of Wales's special envoy to the Australian Colonies, Lord Salisbury, Thompson read a paper on "Quarantine" in which he contended that the English regulations were unsuited to the conditions of Australia. He also described what had been the outcome of the Sydney Conference held in 1884, and said the Australian practice was so rapid as to prevent infection during quarantine.

August 11th.

A telegram has been received from Brussels, which fails to confirm the report of the revolt in the Congo River State.

Lord Salisbury, speaking at Plymouth, said it was his intention to allow the Irish County Councils to have the control of the police.

There is a large attendance of foreign scientists at the congress on Hygiene and Demography, but the business is of little public interest.

The Sultan of Turkey is said to be indignant at Lord Salisbury postponing the negotiations concerning the evacuation of Egypt.

Prince Bismarck's newspaper asserts that Turkey has declined to endorse the treaty of Berlin for the purpose of its ratification.

At the request of Messrs. Shaw, Saville, and Co., the Admiralty ordered H.M.S. *Garnet* to search Good Success Bay to verify the story

DEATHS.

At Breslau, Silesia, Germany, July, 1891,  
ADOLF SCHRÖDER, formerly of Shanghai.—  
At Shanghai, on the 31st August, JEANETTE  
MARY, the beloved infant daughter of William  
and Elizabeth Marston of the I.M.C.

At Sharnem (Canton), on the 5th instant, the  
wife of CHARLES VON BOSE, of a son.

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## TELEGRAMS.

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CHILI UNDER A NEW GOVERNMENT.  
LONDON, September 6th.

The new Chilian Government will be  
recognised by the United States.

It is stated that President Balmaceda has  
been shot, but the report requires confirmation.

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## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

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HIS Excellency Shao Yu-lin, Governor of  
Formosa, is at present staying in the City  
Temple Gardens, Shanghai.

The returns of the number of visitors to the City  
Hall Museum for the week ended September 6th  
are:—Europeans 186, and Chinese 1,691; total  
2,166.

WE are informed by the Agents (Messrs. L  
Nasson, Sons & Co.) that the steamer *Ligh-  
ning*, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this por-  
t to-day.

MR. E. W. Mainland, Hon. Treasurer, begs  
to acknowledge with thanks a donation of \$10 from  
the Douglas Co.'s steamer *Namoo* to the funds  
of the Alice Memorial Hospital.

THE *Peking Gazette* of July 30th announce  
that Hsüeh Fu-Ch'eng, Minister to France  
Great Britain, Belgium, and Italy, has been  
appointed Director of the Sacrificial Board  
of the Court.

A REGULAR meeting of Zetland Lodge, No. 52,  
will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street,  
on Friday, the 10th instant, at 8, for 8.30 p.m.  
precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

And again there is Woodyear's circus, which is also doing a rattling good thing over in Manchuria now. Well—but let 'em fix their own damn business. They are one and all welcome and the first to be the luckiest.

WHEN we were young and Innocent the thought that we had fastened to was that of all the good and gentle tradesmen that did exist the best was the best. 'Twas he who blew up the bricks (the *gong ai tseim* too) that divided youth from manhood by robbing us of our virgin monstrosities; but now, alas, a change comes over the spirit of our dream and in the ungodly East we are every follower of the trade either a robber or a gambler. Each succeeding day brings forth additional evidence of this respect and the more we grow, the more we are excepted to the rule we know. K. Chat, a member of that ancient and honorable craft, was arraigned upon a charge of keeping a common gambling house at Wan-an. An informer was much in evidence and the case was a "dead" one. Ko Chat, not he had twenty-five pieces of silver available, has a profit for six weeks.

**The Peking Gazette** of August 16th gives an interesting particulars regarding the Krupp ordered some years back for the defence of the Canton province. Viceroy Li Han-chi reports that his predecessor, Chang Chih-chung with the Imperial sanction, ordered from Krupp one hundred and two 7½-centimetre guns to defend the coast line at Kungchow. These guns have now arrived at Kungchow, and excellent order, and the Krupp guns are, of course, complete, but in the Viceroy's opinion, although admirably adapted for an army in the field, they are not suitable for the Canton province, owing to damp weather and white ants. The hilly nature of the province is also said to drawback as it would prevent the guns to be moved rapidly from place to place, and the guns are also too long to be conveniently turned about the embankment at Kungchow. For these other equally ridiculous reasons, Li Han-chi, on the matter, suggests that the guns be referred to Chihli, their cost to be defrayed meantime by the Kwangtung province. Viceroy's request has been acceded to, and guns will go North. There would seem very little doubt that this manoeuvre on the part of the brothers Li is a direct attack upon the great rival and opponent, Chang Chih-chung.

tains about a ton of the concentrated dirt or tar generations, but we hardly think the present Administration would be so foolish as to do with a measure of the *China Mail* by sanctioning an unparalleled extravagance. It is probable though subject to the approval of the "Dictator," that now clock will be provided, of course at times allowing that the present one can be "popped" for a decent sum. We do not hope that in this instance "Browne" will be too critical.

We will unthinking and callous parents continue to christen their children Peter? We have ever a saint or sinner who commenced his handiwork by this abominable name who shall be, for we have, now there was a P. (from the) the slagger down (about 1860) (Campbell) who escaped the troubles and tribulations of this wicked world. The latest victim was Peter Robinson, a private in the 10th Glaskie Regiment, who was charged before 17. Wise this morning with having been drunk & disorderly, and also that he did assault & Panjabee Singhere whilst in the execution of his duty. Peter, like the apostle of ancient times acknowledged that he was not free from guilt, the Master and the Magistrate, sentenced P. to the tune of a two shilling fine. Days of the stoning one was innocent of heavy loss, so he had to retire to quiet meditation for the term of ten days. We wouldn't call dog Peter.

A YOUNG Portuguese noble rejoicing in aristocratic cognomen of Asterio Tavares charged at the Magistracy to-day with having stolen an umbrella, the property of Dr. Harris and valued at three dollars, and a Chinese youth named Sin Ayeo was arraigned for having received the same, well knowing it to be a stolen article. Detective Haddon arrested Tavares after a somewhat exciting chase, the accused acknowledged two previous convictions for the same offence, and he was found to have hid himself keenly with the young scamp, sentenced him to one month's imprisonment with hard labour and also to twelve strokes with a rattan. The Chinaman was awarded twenty shillings hard. In reference to this case it is interesting "Householder" (if that individual is not already dead) that the Portuguese youth confessed in the arresting officer that now he is about to be flogged, he would most assuredly reform.

published a letter from "A Douglas Seasman ship  
I thought greatly interested in the  
Chinese Christians of Foochow. It accordingly  
wrote to the Catholic Bishop there, enclosing  
copy of the letter from the "Douglas Captain  
and asking whether there was any truth in the  
statements contained therein.

I have today received an answer from which  
I have copied the following extracts, and which  
I shall be much obliged if you will kindly publish.

Yours faithfully,  
CLAUDE PAGET.

H.M.S. *Victor Emanuel*,  
Hongkong, 9th September, 1891.

Extract from letter from the Catholic Bishop  
of Foochow to Claude Paget:—

MY DEAR SIR,—I thank you very much for  
your kind letter of the 20th ult., and am very  
glad to inform you that I am quite astonished at  
the news in the *Hongkong Telegraph*. The  
statements are so absurd and monstrous about  
the Christians of Foochow, that only one who  
will laugh at them. I do not know how many  
Protestant Chinese there are at Foochow, or  
what class of men they are, but I know very well  
what class the Catholics are.

The "Douglas S. S. Captain" in the *Hongkong  
Telegraph* said—"at Foochow, which is the pe-  
riphery of the province, there is a Christian  
colony of 30 Protestants and Catholic Chinese  
they enjoy the distinction of being the won-  
derful and cut-throats in that district." As  
soon as I read this, I thought of the Christian  
colony (not to be stated by a "Douglas S. S.  
Captain" but) nearly 6000 Chinese and the  
greater part of them are old Catholics. There  
are not all the most thieves and cut-throats.  
This is the truth.

The "Douglas S. S. Captain" also said—  
"On the walls of their two Chapels is a pro-  
clamation signed by the French and American  
Consuls threatening the loss of consular pro-  
tection in case of any poisoning, murder, or  
theft, or any wickedness which should be  
being a very funny document for the interior of  
"Church." This is false. In Foochow there  
are two Catholic churches, and several chapel  
I have spent 22 years as a missionary in Foid-  
and 7 years as Catholic Bishop in Foochow, and  
have never seen, nor heard of such a proclama-  
tion. You may use my letter as you please.

Yours faithfully,  
J. SALVADOR MASOT,  
Roman Catholic Bishop of Foochow.

the colonies. The date has not yet been fixed.

Heavy storms have swept over Austria and Hungary, and caused terrible damage to the vines and crops. Several deaths are reported to have resulted from the storms.

The stationmaster at St. Mandé, near Paris, where the recent railway fatality occurred, who had been put under arrest, has been released from custody.

A great sensation has been caused by an extraordinary outrage which was committed in a railway carriage on the line between Bedford and Lel. England. On the train arriving at Bedford station a lady was found in a first-class compartment one of the carriages bleeding from a shot wound. She declared that while the train was near Leicester a young man who was in the same compartment assailed her, and then left the carriage through the window.

News has been received of the upsetting of three slave dhows in a storm on Lake Victoria Nyanza, in Africa. 140 slaves were drowned.

One of the leading brokers of the city has offered to negotiate to take over £7,000,000 worth of New South Wales Treasury bills at 4 per cent.

Lord Henry Somerset to-day laid the corner stone of a new Salvation Army barracks at Tottenham, London.

The Bishop of London will shortly perform a "reconciliation" or purifying service in a London church in which a person committed suicide some time ago.

A scuffling race took place yesterday between the American oxmen Ten Eyck and C. H. Horner. It was won by Lake Champlain. ("The Long Pond," near Boston, Massachusetts, and resulted in a victory for Ten Eyck.

A meeting of the shareholders of Samuel Allopp and Sons, Limited, the great brewers of Burton-on-Trent and elsewhere, was held to-day to receive the report of the committee appointed to inquire into the condition of the concern and the cause of the unsatisfactory returns since the firm was turned into a limited liability company. The meeting was dissatisfied with the report and there was great disorder during the proceedings. Ultimately, however, the directors' report was adopted.

Admiral Gervais, replying to the toast of "Prosperity to France," at the banquet given at Moscow by the civil authorities of the city, said:

**Garnet reports the search fruitless.** August 16th.

The Czarewitch received an ovation at Moscow on his return from his Eastern tour.

Parnell, speaking at Drogheda, said that although Morley and Gladstone knew 9 days before the verdict was given in his divorce case what the result would be, they opposed his treatment and they were kicked into it by the Nonconformist conscience. Parnell also spoke strongly against Dillon.

The Socialist Congress at Brussels has refused admission to the Anarchist delegates.

The French wheat crops show a deficiency of nearly 12,000,000 bushels.

Two anarchists, one of whom was a woman, have been killed in America.

12 persons were killed and a large number injured in a railway collision at Bern, in Switzerland.

The King of Servia and his father, the ex-King Milan, have arrived in Paris, where they had a cordial reception.

August 15th.

The Turks are fortifying the approaches to Constantinople on the Russian side.

News has been received of the capture of Pesagua by Chilian insurgents and of 300 men who defended the place. Only 25 were left alive of the inhabitants, who had been exterminated.

The insurgents carried the Governor out to sea and drowned him in revenge for his cruelties.

A waterport burst over the village of Kollmann, in Tyrol. Half the village was destroyed and many persons were drowned.

The remains of 14,000 persons have been found in the vaults of one of the old city churches in London, and the church authorities are in a quandary with regard to the disposal of them.

70 French cruisers have arrived in England in advance of the French fleet, and have visited the naval exhibition. They tasted the Queen with great enthusiasm.

AUCKLAND, August 17th.

Three young men were drowned through the capsizing of a boat at Opotiki, New Zealand, on Saturday.

ADELAIDE, August 15th.

The threatened strike of miners at Moonta, South Australia, is likely to be averted.

MELBOURNE, August 15th.

A fresh case of anthrax has developed among the stock of the ship *Zeck Toy*, which is quarantined at Melbourne.







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